

CROSSROADS

The magazine for
St George's Tuffley and St Margaret's Whaddon

Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering



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Respect, Protect, Enjoy

OUR CHURCHES ARE OPEN FOR WORSHIP

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ST GEORGE'S Every Sunday Parish Communion at 10.30am

ST MARGARET'S

1st Sunday

Family Praise at 10.30am and
Evensong at 5.00pm

2nd Sunday

Parish Communion at 9.00am

3rd Sunday

Evensong at 5.00pm

4th Sunday

Parish Communion at 9.00am

5th Sunday

Parish Communion at 9.00am

Thursday

Parish Communion at 10.30am

St George's Centre is open for compliant bookings

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2021

50p

ST GEORGE'S TUFFLEY WITH ST MARGARET'S WHADDON

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OUR VICAR WRITES...

Welcome and belonging

Paul and I would like to say thank you for your hugely warm welcome. We have been very touched by your kindness and encouragement. We are already beginning to sense a feeling of belonging here with you, even if the many new place names are still making my mind dizzy at times! From the moment I looked through your benefice profile, I had a sense of connection – your life and witness here in Tuffley and Whaddon looked full of joy and fellowship.

It strikes me that welcome and a feeling of connection and belonging are such an important part of life. Many people, of course, have been painfully aware of this through the pandemic and lockdown, when loneliness and isolation has soared. When we reflect on the fact that nearly 30% of households in the UK now contain only one person, it's not difficult to see why this is.

You have done a wonderful job of keeping in touch with one another and encouraging one another during these difficult times. You've also found ways of continuing to worship together even when you couldn't physically be in the same space. We rejoice that we can now physically be in the church buildings for worship, and it's been lovely to see some of you returning over the last weeks for the first time since lockdown. Whilst physical contact is still not advisable, we can connect with each other in other ways, through God's love.

Jesus gives us a simple message for living a good life; love God and love your neighbour as yourself. Paul and I have experienced the love of God and the love of neighbour at St George's and St Margaret's over the last few weeks through so many ways; your smiles (including detecting smiles in eyes when wearing a mask!) your words of welcome, your interest and encouragement in us and in one another, your kind suggestions about the local area... I could go on and on!

Loving God and loving neighbour give us connection and belonging reminding us that we are all part of God's family.

God bless you all,
RACHEL

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

BAPTISMS

Kash-James Morley & Lainey-Marie Morley

WEDDING

Our good wishes to Ian Maysey & Kim Porter

FUNERAL

Our sympathies to the family and friends of: -

Cecil Yapp RIP; Janet Raybould RIP;

& Dennis Vincent RIP

INTERMENT OF ASHES

Vaughan Tomlinson RIP

Jack Adams RIP

CHURCHYARD SERVICE



There will be a Churchyard Service at St Margaret's on Sunday 19th September. You may remember this was something we tried successfully in 2019. It is a short informal service, followed by simple refreshments for those who wish to stay. We are hoping that, as last time, the service will attract those who visit the churchyard to tend graves.

This years' service will start at 3.30pm, come rain or shine. 'Bring a brolly if wet' will be the advice, but there will also be a supply of spare brollies in the porch.

JONATHAN

I BELIEVE by Tony J

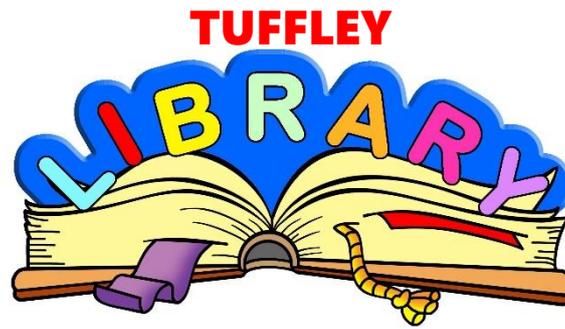
I believe in miracles; they happen all the time
I believe the punishment, should always fit the crime
I believe in marriage, that bonds husband and wife
I believe in the family, the sanctity of life
I believe that we reap, all that we sow
I believe from acorns, that mighty oak trees can grow
I believe that luck, is something we all make
I believe success, is based on give and take
I believe when one door closes, another will open soon
I believe in the forces, of the sun and the moon
I believe true friendship, is something you can't replace
I believe our end, is all for us to face
I believe that love, is more powerful than hate
I believe in God, who will decide my fate
I believe he'll be there to greet me, my saviour and my friend
I believe he's always been there, from beginning to the end.



As we go to press, we are still working on details of our Time to Remember service at St George's. It's likely to be on Sunday 31st October, but please watch the weekly Signpost sheet for full details.



**BENEFICE HARVEST FESTIVAL
IS ON SUNDAY 3 OCTOBER
KEEP A CLOSE EYE ON SIGNPOST FOR MORE
INFORMATION
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The nights are drawing in again as we reach the end of another summer that didn't really seem to happen. We are back to our original opening hours, including Saturday mornings, and are hoping we can soon start to have clubs and meetings again, but in the meantime, do feel free to call in for a chat, to talk to us about books you've read and books you want to read, or just to have a look at the new titles we've had in.

Congratulations to all the children who took part in our Summer Reading Challenge, despite shorter opening hours we still had plenty of takers for the Wild World Heroes who read six books over the summer and got their medal and certificate.

Hope we'll see you soon,

MARGARET AND STEVE
Tuffley Library, Windsor Drive, Tel 01452 522160



Rachel's first Thursday morning service at St Margaret's



Rachel's first Sunday morning service at St George's

Apologies if you can't see David or Jonathan in one or both photos! David and Jonathan are many things but neither they can take a photo and be in it... yet, but I'm sure that they are working on it.

JUST A LITTLE
Reminder

To have your **NOVEMBER 2021 CROSSROADS** ready for publication on Sunday 31 October 2021

**ARTICLES NEED TO BE IN THE EDITORS' HANDS
PREFERABLY BY EMAIL BEFORE, BUT NO LATER THAN...
...WEDNESDAY 13 OCTOBER**

The earlier you can get your articles to the Editors the greater chance of getting it published.

Thank you for your help in this matter

PETER'S SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER



Comedy catchphrase quiz

Which UK TV comedy shows made the following catchphrases famous?

1. "I don't believe it!"
2. "I have a cunning plan..."
3. "Yeah but no but yeah but..."
4. "Good moaning"
5. "Oooh! Betty!"
6. "Thank you very much, Jerry!"
7. "Smeghead"
8. "No... no... no... no... yes!"
9. "Go on, go on, go on..."
10. "Lovely Jubbly"

ANSWERS TO PETER'S AUGUST QUIZ TIME!

1 Ronnie Wood (1st): 2 Patricia Cornwell (9th): 3 David Blunkett (6th): 4 Nancy Sinatra (8th): 5 Steve Waugh (2nd): 6 Helen Baxendale (7th): 7 Rafael Nadal (3rd): 8 Edward Michael "Bear" Grylls (7th): 9 Ross Noble (5th): 10 Val McDermid (4th)



The September 100 Club Draw will take place before the 10.30am Service at St George's on Sunday 12 September; so, if you are intending to join get your skates on and see me.

Members have to be over 16 years of age

Each share in St George's 100 Club will cost £1.00 per month

Payments must be up to date on or before the first Sunday of each month

Maximum holding per member is 5 shares

Draws will be made in March, June, September and December

A full set of rules is available upon request.

Please talk to the promoter Darrell



HOORAY!!!! We've got the first limericks from our readers...

So, from Tony Jones the Tuffley poet...

*There was an old vicar who retired
Who found his replacement was hired
Not to just preach
But also, could teach
That golden oldies can still be inspired*

*A little old lady came into view
Flustered and not knowing what to do
So, she got on a bus
Without making a fuss
And decided she needed the loo*

...from Rev Steve Morris

*She stood upon the riverbank,
her body all a quiver.
She gave a cough,
her leg fell off,
and floated down the river.*

*Said I, 'Glenda, come for a spree!'
Glenda said, "Well, it's alright by me.
But I've got to stay home
just listen to that moan.
It's Darrell, laid up with his knee!"*

*There was a Churchwarden at Whaddon.
Folk worshipped the ground that he trod
on.*

But he told them, "Hey!

I'm not the Truth, Life and Way.

*Read John's Gospel. Chapter fourteen's
a good un."*

*There was a Churchwarden at Tuffley
who spoke to Church folk very gruffly.*

The people said,

"Hey! If you treat us that way

the Archdeacon will beat you up roughly."

...and from me

There was a young man from Tuffley

Who constantly jumped like a flea

One day like a lost soul

He jumped down a sink hole

And ended up in Hawaii!

An unfortunate lad named Stu

One day was desperate for the loo

He went into a store

He opened the loo door

And was so relieved he shouted, Phew!!

Can you do better? Get your limericks to me by 13 October and we'll see!

QUIET PRAYER GROUP

is meeting again

Friday 24 September at 2.30pm

and

Friday 29 October at 2.30pm

in St George's Church

*"O sweet September, thy first breezes bring
The dry leaf's rustle and the squirrel's laughter,
The cool fresh air whence health and vigour spring
And promise of exceeding joy hereafter."*

George Arnold, September Days

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Extract from **The Messenger, September 2021**

Vocation and discipleship

The chill in the air and the hint of the first frosts makes September feel like the start of something new. For lots of us, when the children go back to school, or the garden starts to slow down for the winter, we start to think about ways to challenge ourselves and to grow in faith and nurture our relationship with Jesus. Here are a few of our favourite courses and resources to help you draw nearer to God and to show your faith in every area of your life. Visit gloucester.anglican.org/discipleship for the first three resources.

Loved and Liked is a six session course offering the chance to explore how we are all uniquely made and that God actually loves and likes us. It looks at questions of identity, calling and service, and includes amazing true stories of local people.

Personal Shapes for Living will pair you with an encourager, who will help you to look at the shape of your whole life and pinpoint small changes that could help you to step closer to God.

The Giving Toolbox is a set of resources and programmes to help both you and your church engage with understanding the place of money in our own lives and the importance that our own gifts of it through the church play in furthering God's Mission. It includes sermons, ideas and other resources.

Pocket Prayer guides have been created to help existing Christians enrich their prayers, trying out new ways of connecting with God. Find out more at gloucester.anglican.org/your-prayer

"I knew from that moment I could not turn away from God..."

Andy Wilson, Lead Evangelist, Gloucester and Forest Centre of Mission shares his faith story in our #OneDiocese blog

"At the age of 9, many kids will not necessarily have thought about what life may hold for them, but for me losing my eyesight to a disease called retinoblastoma, would mean there would be some very big life changes ahead. "Growing up in a Methodist church in Northern Ireland, living with my parents and sister, life was as it would be for many kids that age. My loss of sight meant that 2 years later, I left Northern Ireland, to have the best opportunity of

education and went to a boarding school in Worcester. The Irish were not popular in England in the '80s, and so I was picked on by some of the staff, and also abused by older pupils at the school. I concluded quickly that God could not exist, or why would he let these things happen?

"In my early 20's, having made it through school, and to uni, I went to stay with some friends, who actually turned out not to be friends at all, and I was thrown out in the middle of the night. Sitting on the Cathedral walls in Worcester, I challenged God that if he existed I wouldn't sleep on the streets. A police car stopped soon after I spoke these words, (not what I had in mind), but he took me to a friend's house, and I slept in a bed that night, and I knew from that moment I could not turn away from God.

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"I spent 25 years in youth ministry, helping young people know they had a purpose, value, and they were worth so much and helping them know God loves them. I was also part of a team that pioneered a new community on an estate where we lived. I learnt so much from those people we journeyed with. "Getting married, and having kids was something I never thought would happen to me.

"I never really felt I would be worth loving much, or even for someone to spend the rest of their life with.

"I have now been married to Emma for 19 years and she gave up so much with her 6-year-old daughter to say yes to me and join me on the adventure that God had in store for us. Grace was born a year after we were married, and so I have lived being the only man in the household.

"Moving to Gloucester in 2019, was a totally obedient action on our behalf, to do what we felt God was asking of us. It was not straightforward. Grace was settled at school, Emma had a successful job, and I led a youth charity and was

part of the leadership of a growing church. But I always knew that my call was to enable those who did not know Jesus to know that he knew them, and loved them. And so the opportunity came, through my training with the Church Army to come to Gloucester, pioneer something new in Matson, and support and encourage pioneering across the diocese.

“Pioneering will not be the answer to everything, or to everyone, but it may just help us as the Church think about what it really means to go, be with, journey with people and see what God is doing. That is my hope in being here, supporting and encouraging others, and my biggest heart’s desire, in the midst of all of that, (as well as seeing Man United win the Premiership again, and to enjoy another U2 gig!) is to see more and more people across this region, know what it truly means to be loved by God and journey in following Jesus in community with others.”



GOSPEL TRUTH BIBLE QUIZ

Questions based on the Gospel readings for July

- 1 Jesus had four brothers. How many of them can you name?
- 2 When Jesus sent out the twelve, he ordered them to take nothing for their journey except two of the following: bread, staff, money, sandals & bag. Which two items could they take?
- 3 The disciples went out anointing many who were sick with oil and curing them and proclaiming all should _____. What is the missing word?
- 4 A lawyer stood and put Jesus to the test saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to _____ eternal life?” The missing word is?
- 5 Jesus ended the conversation by telling the lawyer a parable. Which Parable?
- 6 Here is a 50/50 question. Scripture tells us Jesus fed 5,000 and, on another occasion, he fed 4,000. Which of these events occurred in Mark 6?
- 7 Jesus crossed over to Gennesaret. He was recognised and people rushed to carry the sick to where he was. According to scripture all who did a certain action were healed. What was their action?

- 8 The feeding of the 5,000. Philip suggests, “__months wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” What is the missing number?
- 9 Andrew brought forward a young boy who had “___ ___ loaves and two fish.” What are the two missing words?
- 10 When evening came the disciples got into a boat and started across the lake to_____. Which town were they heading for?

Answers to this month's Gospel Truth Bible Quiz are printed later in this issue

Editors' note: Please note that events listed in the diary later in this issue may be moved, added to, or cancelled, any changes should be noted in Signpost our weekly newsletter and in the calendar on our website. Should you know of anything missing from or is wrong in the Benefice diary of dates please let the editors' know so we can update our information for the future. Many thanks

JILL'S JOTTINGS

from St Margaret's

Well, my friends, it's me again that certain person who does at St Margaret's with her mates Marilyn and Dianne. I have just had a little go with the brass candle stick holders that are in the Sanctuary windows; they just looked a bit dull, so I got the old toothbrush and a cloth and gave them a bit of a shine.

Marilyn says that she doesn't like to do anything too hard on them, just in case, she damages them. I tell her that you have to give them a bit of a scrub or they will look too dull. I left Marilyn to carry on with the rest of the brass.

Poor Dianne was not feeling her best as she had tooth ache! But she still carried on with the polishing. She is a master when it comes to the furniture cleaning. We are at St Margaret's for about two and a half hours and there is always someone who would like to see inside the church. It's always so nice to welcome anyone into St Margaret's, even if it is only for a look round. I had to get the cleaner out to do the floor as it looked as if there had been a football match going on in church. You would not believe the amount of muck there was to be cleaned up!

Now we have met our new Vicar and what a joy it has been. She is a lovely lady; she had come to St Margaret's to take our Thursday morning service. I introduced myself and she made me feel at ease straight away. Her husband Paul was a little bit behind, so I introduced myself to him too. They are both super and I think that Rachel will be a great asset to both churches.

The Thursday Communion went really well, Rachel must have been very nervous, but I told her that she was doing fine and not to worry. She was glad that the congregation was small, but she just got on with it and that time will let her get round to knowing everyone's name. I think that having Rachel and Paul with us is such a blessing and that we'll have lots of fun getting to know one another over the ensuing months.

That's about all from me so until the next time, God Bless and keep you all safe...

JILL PONTER



OVER THE GARDEN FENCE

Maya, Maya, why has our Mum shut the door? I don't know, Trixie, but whatever it is it smells funny. Look at her Trix, sitting there eating her breakfast and not doing anything. Maybe she just forgot, eh! Maya. Not on your life. Trix, there is something up and I don't quite know what it is!

When I tell her I want to go out she usually just opens the door, but she keeps saying 'No' and 'Not yet'. Maya, Maya. Yes, Trix, what are you thinking? Well, Maya, could it be that we have to go to that place again? What do you mean, Trix, after what happened the last time, I don't think so. But, Maya, she's gone into that tiny room under the stairs; and that's where she keeps all the things, she doesn't want us to play with. Oh! Oh! Trix, there it is, that box! We are going to that place. Oh Maya, what do we do now? Run, Trix, just run. Oh, flamin' Ada, she's got me Maya. Don't worry Trixie I'll set us free. Oh flippin' 'eck she's got me too. Oh Trix, I told you that I would set you free. Oh, there you are Trixie,

I'm sorry that I couldn't do anything to set us free. Our Mum was so determined that we had to go in this box thing. Oh, and now we are in the vehicle, just shut in here and not going anywhere. Oh! Maya, we are off and we are well on our way. Oh we have stopped, that wasn't very far, Trixie, I think we are at Auntie Marg's house, are we going to pick up JoJo today? I don't know Maya, but have been here for ever!

Oh, Mum's coming Maya, let's start making a lot of noise, you know we can drive her crazy when we do that. I don't know about that Trixie, we are still going forward in this vehicle. Oh! Oh! Maya, we have stopped so we must be here. Oh Maya, you won't let anything happen to me, will you. Trix, I won't let anything happen to you, I promise.

I can hear puppy dogs, Maya, lots of them. Oh, look Maya, a baby, she's being carried by her Mum, isn't she cute! Trix, they do grow up into big dogs that chase pussy cats. I know Maya, but she was such a pretty thing, I just hope that when he grow's up he stays nice and friendly.

Oh, here we go Maya. It's our turn now. I do hope that her hands are warm don't you Trix? Maya, I just hope that we don't have to be in here too long, you go first Maya. I'll just stay at the back here! Coward! Trixie, but I don't mind, I'll be brave. Oh Trixie, I have to go on those scales, cheek, I'm not fat! I'm just well rounded. Our Mum is telling the doctor that we have been eating the type of biscuits that don't make us fat. She is very pleased with the condition of my coat and I'm getting felt all over. Oh Trixie, I got that pin again and the're going to cut my nails too. Trix, I'm definitely not coming back here. Now it's your turn, just don't get in a tizzy about it all. I know Trix! What you're not as heavy as you were the last time. Cheek! What do you mean Trixie, I don't remember you being off your food last week, you never told me, well maybe, that's why you lost a bit of weight. I know, Trix, it's not your toes they are cutting off, just your nails. Oh, and you have to have a gob stopper too, well I didn't get one of those. Our Mum seems happy overall about us, doesn't she?

Oh my! Oh My! It's my turn for a gob stopper, oh well it didn't taste too bad and thank goodness we are on our way home, come on Trix, let's just have a cuddle till we get home.

Here we are Maya, home at last. Our Mum is certainly not in a hurry to open the front door. Let's start trying to get out; you never know we might just tip

ourselves out. No such luck, Mum has put us down and put the key in the door and we are in the living room. Trix, I just want to get out and stretch my legs, you coming? Yes, Maya, but don't you think we should say tata to everyone

before we go out to play. Oh yes, thanks for reminding me Trix, so it's tata from the both of us until the next time

TRIXIE AND MAYA PONTER



*Autumn is the time of year when Mother Nature says,
"Look how easy, how healthy, and how beautiful letting go can be"*

Toni Sorenson

GOSPEL TRUTH BIBLE QUIZ ANSWERS

1 James, Joses, Judas & Simon: 2 Staff & sandals: 3 Repent: 4 Inherit: 5 The Good Samaritan: 6 Feeding of the 5,000: 7 Touched His cloak: 8 Six: 9 Five Barley: 10 Capernaum:



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"Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower."

Albert Camus



THROUGH THE WINDOW

Hi everyone, your friendly feline chatting (well, sort of).

Well! I've had a lot to put up with, a while ago I was in that horrible box and taken to that place of torture (again) I had to have a pin, some stuff put on my neck and then, to add insult to injury I had my toenails clipped. Mind you they were getting a bit long so they needed to be clipped. I had to laugh to myself because Auntie Jill had to get a pole to poke me out from under my Mum's bed. I do try and hide under there so they can't get me.

I do lead them a merry dance, but it's to no avail. I am then put into that vehicle and taken to see the animal doctor. I voice my disapproval very loudly, not that it makes any difference to my Mum or to Auntie Jill. I got onto that machine and talked to Maya and Trixie but they just laughed at me and told me not to be such a wuss! It was their turn a little while ago and they weren't happy about the prospect at all, but I could laugh at them.

I have to have a tablet every other day, honestly you should see it, it's like a horse pill, I'm sure of it! I get told off by my Mum and Auntie Jill, just because I keep licking my tail. I must confess that it does get a bit sore and red, But when you have an itch you just have to scratch it; only I think that I do it a bit too vigorously. I do try and do it when my Mum and Auntie Jill aren't looking. Doesn't always work though!

The weather is a lot cooler now so it's a lot easier to cope with, It's also getting darker earlier now, so I go in earlier and tell my Mum it's bedtime. I haven't brought her a present lately, not that she'd let me take it indoors to show her how clever I am. I don't think she appreciates me bringing in a live mouse.

Shame really, but never mind...

Your feline friend
JOJO WHITTLE



DIARY

AUGUST

Sun 29		TRINITY 13	
		September/October Crossroads available	
	9.00am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St G's
Mon 30		Summer Bank Holiday	

SEPTEMBER

Wed 1	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Z
	3.30pm	Slimming World sessions	MH
Thu 2	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
Fri 3	7.30pm	Gloucester Amateur Gardening Society	MH
	7.30pm	St George's Entertainers	SH/SL
Sun 5		TRINITY 14	
	10.30am	Family Praise	St M's
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St G's
	5.00pm	Evensong	St M's
Wed 8	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Z
	3.30pm	Slimming World sessions	MH
Thu 9	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH
Fri 10	7.30pm	St George's Entertainers	MH
Sat 11		Ride & Stride 2021	
Sun 12		TRINITY 15	
	9.00am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Parish Communion followed by 100 Club Draw	St G's
Mon 13	6.00pm	Rainbows	TBC
	7.00pm	Church Centre Management Committee	TBC
Tue 14	2.30pm	Mothers' Union	SH/SL
Wed 15	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Z
	3.30pm	Slimming World sessions	MH

	7.30pm	Refresh at English Martyrs	
Thu 16	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH/SL
Fri 17	7.30pm	St George's Entertainers	MH
Sun 19		TRINITY 16	
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St G's
	12.30pm	Baptism	St G's
	3.30pm	Churchyard Service	St M's
Wed 22	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Z
	3.30pm	Slimming World sessions	MH
Thu 23	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH
Fri 24	2.30pm	Quiet Prayer Group	St G's
	7.30pm	St George's Entertainers	MH
Sun 26		TRINITY 17	
	9.00am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St G's
Wed 29	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Z
	3.30pm	Slimming World sessions	MH
Thu 30	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH

OCTOBER

Fri 1	7.30pm	Gloucester Amateur Gardening Society	MH
	7.30pm	St George's Entertainers	SH/SL
Sun 3		TRINITY 18 / HARVEST	
	10.30am	United Harvest Service	St M's
	10.30am	Harvest Parish Communion	St G's
	5.00pm	Evensong	St M's
Mon 4	10.00am	Speakability	SH/SL
Tue 5	7.00pm	Benefice Standing Committee	St G's
Wed 6	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Z
	3.30pm	Slimming World sessions	MH
Thu 7	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH/SL
	7.30pm	Archdeacon's Visitation at St Oswald's	
Fri 8	7.30pm	St George's Entertainers	MH
Sun 10		TRINITY 19	

Sun 10	9.00am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St G's
Tue 12	2.30pm	Mothers' Union	SH/SL
Wed 13		Crossroads article deadline	
	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Z
	3.30pm	Slimming World sessions	MH
Thu 14	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH
Fri 15	7.30pm	St George's Entertainers	MH
Sun 17		TRINITY 20	
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St G's
	12.30pm	Baptism TBC	St G's
	5.00pm	Evensong	St M's
Wed 20	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Z
	3.30pm	Slimming World sessions	MH
	7.30pm	Refresh at English Martyrs	
Thu 21	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH/SL
Fri 22	7.30pm	St George's Entertainers	MH
Sun 24		Last of TRINITY	
	9.00am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St G's
Mon 25		Crossroads' printing week	
Wed 27	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Z
	3.30pm	Slimming World sessions	MH
Thu 28	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH
Fri 29	2.30pm	Quiet Prayer Group	St G's
	7.30pm	Gloucester Amateur Gardening Society	MH
	7.30pm	St George's Entertainers	MH
Sat 30		Clock go back	
Sun 31		4 Before ADVENT/ All Saints' day	
		November Crossroads available	
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St G's
	10.30am	Family Praise	St M's
	5.00pm	Evensong	St M's

LITTLE BIT OF HUMOUR TO FINISH WITH...

I'm a Seenager (Senior Teenager)

Courtesy of Malcolm Martin...

I have everything that I wanted, only 65 years later!

I don't have to go to school or work

I get an allowance every month

I have my own pad

I don't have a curfew

I have a driving licence and my own car

The people I hang around with are no longer scared of getting pregnant and I don't have acne

Life is great

I changed my car horn to the sounds of gunfire, people get out of the way much quicker now

Gone are the days when girls cooked like their mothers, now they drink like their fathers

I didn't make it to the gym today, that makes it five years in a row

I decided to stop calling the loo 'the John' and renamed it 'the Jim' it now sounds much better when I say I'm off to 'the Jim'

Old age is coming at a really bad time for me

When I was growing up 'nap time' seemed like a punishment now it feels more like a small holiday

The biggest lie I tell myself is 'I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it'

I don't have grey hair; I have wisdom highlights

I'm very wise indeed, for if God had wanted me to touch my toes, he would have put them on my knees

Last year I joined a Procrastinators' Club, we haven't met yet

Of course, I talk to myself, for sometimes I need expert advice!

At my age, 'Getting Lucky' is walking into a room and remembering why I went in there

I have more friends to send this list to, but I can't remember who they are now